IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

Case No. 7:23-cv-897
UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR LEAVE
TO FILE REPLY BRIEF IN SUPPORT
OF [D.E. 721] BY DECEMBER 19, 2025

The Plaintiffs' Leadership Group ("PLG") respectfully moves the Court for leave to file a reply memorandum in support of their Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials [D.E. 721] by December 19, 2025, two days after the 14-day deadline for reply briefs under Local Rule 7.1(g)(1). In support, PLG states:

- 1. On November 12, 2025, PLG filed a 14-page Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials [D.E. 721] ("PLG's Motion").
- 2. On November 21, 2025, Defendant filed an unopposed motion for an extension of time and pages to respond within 21 days of filing (by December 3, 2025) with up to 15 pages in opposition to PLG's Motion [D.E. 726].
- 3. On November 24, 2025, this Court granted Defendant's motion for an extension [D.E. 727].
 - 4. On December 3, 2025, filed a 15-page opposition to PLG's Motion [D.E. 733].
- 5. PLG's Motion sought relief under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 1 and 16(c)(2), and thus was not a discovery motion under Local Rule 7.1(c). Under Local Rule 7.1(g)(1), a reply memorandum is due within 14 days of Defendant's opposition, by December 17, 2025.
- 6. Local Rule 7.2(f) generally sets a 10-page or 2,800-word limit for a reply memorandum.

- 7. PLG conferred with Defendant and Defendant stated that it does not oppose PLG filing a 5-page reply memorandum by December 19, 2025, two days after the deadline set by Local Rule 7.1(g)(1).
- 8. Accordingly, PLG respectfully requests that the Court permit PLG to file a 5-page reply memorandum in support of PLG's Motion [D.E. 721] by December 19, 2025.
 - 9. A proposed order is attached as Exhibit 1.

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DATED this 15th day of December, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 15, 2025, I electronically filed the foregoing using the Court's Case Management/Electronic Case Files system, which will send notice to all counsel of record.

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